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In re Patent No. 7,555,572 :

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This is a decision on the petition filed July 20, 2009, under 37 CFR 3.81(b) to correct the name of the assignee on the front page of the above-identified patent by way of a certificate of correction.

The request is **DISMISSED**.

Petitioner states that the correct assignee's name is Eric and that an incorrect assignee's name was unintentionally included on the Fee(s) Transmittal form PTOL-85(b) at the time of payment of the issue fee. Accordingly, petitioner requests that the patent issue to Ericsson AB.

37 CFR 3.81(b), effective June 25, 2004, reads:

After payment of the issue fee: Any request for issuance of an application in the name of the assignee submitted after the date of payment of the issue fee, and any request for a patent to be corrected to state the name of the assignee, must state that the assignment was submitted for recordation as set forth in § 3.11 before issuance of the patent, and must include a request for a certificate of correction under § 1.323 of this chapter (accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.20(a) and the processing fee set forth in § 1.17(i) of this chapter.

The request under 37 CFR 3.81(b) was not accompanied by a request for a certificate of correction as required by 3.81(b). As petitioner has failed to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 3.81(b), the request cannot be granted at this time.

It should be noted that the request for certificate correction fee was paid along with the filing of this petition July 20, 2009.

A review of Office database assignment records reflects that an assignment to Ericsson AB has been recorded. Therefore, upon submission of the required certificate of correction and fee, it would be appropriate for the Office to issue a certificate of correction to correct the front page of the Letters Patent to reflect that Ericsson AB was the assignee of record at the time of issuance of the application into a patent. *Note also* 35 U.S.C. § 152.

In view of the above and after issuance of this application into a patent, the Certificates of Correction Branch is instructed to issue a certificate of correction upon submission by petitioner of a request for a certificate of correction (and fee) which sets forth Ericsson AB, as the assignee. No certificate of correction will be issued which sets forth an assignee other than the assignee set forth in this request. A copy of this decision <u>must</u> accompany the request for a Certificate of Correction.

No further renewed request under 37 CFR 3.81(b) is necessary for consideration by the Office of Petitions for issuance of a certificate of correction in the name of the assignee set forth in this request, as this decision operates as an instruction to the Certificates of Correction Branch to issue the requested certificate of correction.

Inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kimberly Inabinet at (571) 272-4618. Any questions concerning issuance of a certificate of correction should be directed to the Certificates of Correction Branch at (703) 305-8309.

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